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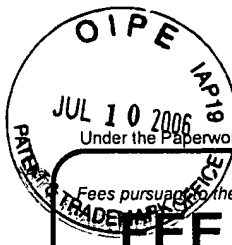
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Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
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Multiple dependent claims	360	180
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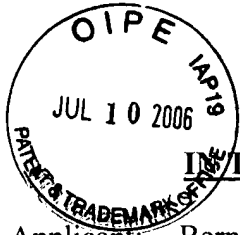
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In response to the office action mailed on 02/06/06 please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.

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